OIPE TO BE

TRW

BTG/88/21 (68-64) Approved for use through 07/31/2009. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE pliection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. work Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to & TRAS Application Number 10/634,664 Filing Date **TRANSMITTAL** 08/05/2003 FORM First Named Inventor Rychnovsky Art Unit (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing) 3762 **Examiner Name Attorney Docket Number** 0130541 Total Number of Pages in This Submission **ENCLOSURES** (Check all that apply) After Allowance communication Drawing(s) Fee Transmittal Form to Technology Center (TC) Appeal Communication to Board Licensing-related Papers Fee Attached of Appeals and Interferences Appeal Communication to TC Petition (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) Amendment/Reply Petition to Convert to a Proprietary Information After Final Provisional Application Power of Attorney, Revocation Status Letter Affidavits/declaration(s) Change of Correspondence Address Other Enclosure(s) (please Terminal Disclaimer **Extension of Time Request** identify below): Request for Refund **Express Abandonment Request** CD, Number of CD(s) Information Disclosure Statement Remarks Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT Firm Christopher J. Hayes, BRYAN CAVE LLP Individual name Signature Date May 10, 2004 CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below. Typed or printed name Elizabeth C. Morris Date May 10, 2004 Signature

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT. OF COMMERCE the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number Complete if Known

INFORM	ATION	DISCL	OSURE
STATEN	IENT B	Y APP	LICANT

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

MAY 1 3 2004

Sheet

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

2.

Complete if Known			
Application Number	10/634,664		
Filing Date	08/05/2003		
First Named Inventor	Rychnovsky		
Art Unit	3762		
Examiner Name			
Attorney Docket Number	0130541		

Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number Number-Kind Code ^{2 (I' known)}	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	62	^{US-} 4,576,145 A	03/18/1986	Akira et al.	
	63	^{US-} 5,116,317 A	05/26/1992	Carson Jr. et al	
	64	^{US-} 5,350,375 A	09/27/1994	Deckelbaum et al	
	65	^{US-} 5,409,483 A	04/25/1995	Campbell et al	
	66	^{US-} 5,445,608 A	08/29/1995	Chen et al	
	67	^{US-} 5,833,688 A	11/10/1998	Oslan et al	
	68	^{US-} 5,935,075 A	08/19/1999	Bearman et al	
	69	^{US-} 6,010,449 A	01/04/2000	Hansen et al	
	70	^{US-} 6,134,003 A	10/17/2000	Boppart et al	
	71	^{US-} 2002/068924 A1	06/06/2002	Sinofsky	
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
	l	US-			
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages	
		Country Code ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY		Or Relevant Figures Appear	Τ'
	B6	DE 35 12 018 C	01/02/1987	Schubert		
	B7	WO 93/15664 A	08/19/1993	American Med Sy		
	B8	WO 96/07451 A	03/14/1996	Sinofsky et al		L
	В9	WO 97/24154 A	07/10/1997	Cordis Corp		
	10	EP 0 820 786 A	01/28/1998	Cordis Corp		L
	11	WO 01/60427 A	08/23/2001	Transvascular	-	

Examiner	· Dat	le	
Signature	Cor	nsidered	

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

PTO/SB/08B (08-03)
Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB contains.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO	Complete if Known		
Substitute for form 1445/1 10	Application Number	10/634,664	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE	Filing Date	08/05/2003	
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT	First Named Inventor	Rychnovsky	
(Use as many sheets as necessary)	Art Unit	3762	
(030 as many sheets as necessary)	Examiner Name		
Sheet 2 of 2	Attorney Docket Number	0130541	

		NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²
	C7	International Search Report, PCT/US03/24657, 04/30/2004	
		·	
:			
		·	
Examiner		Date	

Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.